

# Minutes of the Paul Memorial Library Trustee Meeting of February 11, 2014

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm.

Attendees: Kim Crisp, Win Fream, Lee Woodworth, Pam Burch, Lisa Cloyd, Erik Mikelson

Minutes from January trustee meeting were accepted.

## 1. Treasurers report -

Gift fund has 1887.36

General fund has 14,826.46

Received 1057.82 from Fleet NY bank from a book fund, it was placed into the general fund.

## 2. Directors report -

There is an issue regarding the 'touch a truck' activity. The name is registered with the state for Richie Macfarland Center so if we did the activity we would need a different name.

Museum of science summer program is in planning stages. This year the topic is 'Science Magic'.

Erik held a discussion of fundraising for the shed – he has 2 additional fundraising ideas in mind:

Road cleanup for the town in spring

Selling bracelets that are hand made by his family

Estimate for what he needs is around \$470.00

He is planning to do the construction in 2 or 3 phases, first phase = ground prep, second phase = construction of shed, 3<sup>rd</sup> phase = roof and put it all together

Erik is still going to do some of the requests for food donations for the pancake breakfast. Lisa will send him the letter to give potential donors.

3. An idea for a new activity that is being planned is a collaboration between us and MSA for Womenade. It is a Yarn Bomb aka graffiti knitting with a focus on a famous book. Many of the local libraries are doing it, our book is The Mitten. Knitters will knit a giant mitten for the door and it involves a pass book and visiting other libraries. It should be all done on April 1. The point of the activity is to bring attention to our local libraries.

4. Heating estimates- Kim is still actively soliciting estimates for various furnace replacement alternatives.

5. Miscellaneous items:

Projector estimate – Doug Claar is going to look at mounting the movie projector on the wall

Coffee table needs to be refinished.

March movie night is Friday, March 21.

March 4 is the date for the next trustee meeting

A new computer is needed as the catalog and patron use computer. The current one is on its last leg.

Pam is going to look at replacing the catalog computer and will look at options for two new computers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lisa Cloyd*

*Secretary*

*Paul Memorial Library Board of Trustees*

Director's Report for January 2014

### ***The Library Building/Grounds***

- ❖ New couch arrived - thanks Kim! Very nice space for meetings now
- ❖ Two new shades on order for the Reading Room - found that Blinds.com offered a better price than Lowe's - \$150 for both
- ❖ Still need to install light bulbs in outdoor lights (two)
- ❖ Need to improve connection with outdoor back doorbell

### ***Book Clubs***

The Evening Book Club met on Monday, January 20th to discuss "The House Girl", 6 members attended. The Afternoon Book Club met on Tuesday, January 8th to discuss "Major Pettigrew's Last Stand", 5 members attended.

## ***Upcoming Events***

NH Humanities Council - "**The Art and Importance of Fairy Tales**" on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm.

Ingrid Graff, Humanities Council Speaker, former librarian, avid reader and gardener will discuss: where do our fairy tales come from? What do they tell us about ourselves and our history? Why have they been censored and changed and how have retained their currency and popularity today?

NH Humanities Council - "**A Walk Back in Time: the Secrets of Cellar Holes**" on Tuesday, April 15 at 7:00 pm. Presented by Adair Mulligan - Executive Director of the Hanover Conservancy - Northern New England is full of reminders of past lives: stone walls, old foundations, a century-old lilac struggling to survive as the forest reclaims a once-sunny dooryard. What forces shaped settlement, and later abandonment of these places? Adair explores the rich history to be discovered in what remains behind.

Pancake Breakfast - Saturday, March 29th from 8:00-11:00 am at NES, form has been filed with Jane at the school

Books and Babies Breakfast - Saturday, March 15th at 10:30 am, invitations going out this week

\*\*\* **New Hampshire Trustees Association Annual Meeting - Monday, May 19th** \*\*\*

## ***Friends of the Library***

They are planning a direct mail solicitation for February - a letter going out to all households in Newfields asking them to become a member of the Friends and an additional donation.

## ***Grants***

Museum of Science, Boston - we have received a grant from them to bring their Traveling Program, Science Magic! here on July 31st for summer reading. They funded us 75% - thus we get a \$350 program for \$80.00 and they also pay the travel of \$45.00. The program they did for us last summer was excellent.

***Snow Days*** - We were closed on Friday, January 3rd for a snow storm

### ***Connecting with Other Libraries***

I will attend the next Seacoast Area Libraries meeting on February 21st. Lee and I will travel to Concord on Thursday, March 6th to attend the annual CHILIS meeting (Children's Librarians of NH) - all day event on summer reading. There will be no preschool storytime and Doris will cover the library.

### ***Reports***

The report for the town was submitted on January 23 and I am now working on the state report which is due in April.

### ***Attendance at Events in January***

Babies and Toddlers - 11 children/8 adults

Preschool Story Time - 11 children/10 adults

TOTAL = 136

Lego Club - 39

Games - 9

Movie Night - 30

Book Groups - 11

"20 Neat Things You Can do with your iPad" - 7

### ***Library Statistics for January***

Total number of people through the door: 384

Total number of patrons using the library: 218

Total number of items circulated this month: 749

Number of new patrons: 5

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Burch